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Application No. 10/714,858
Amendment dated July 3, 2007
First Preliminary Amendment

Docket No.: 4444-0275PUS1

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-17, 21-22, and 24-33 are now present in this application.

Claims 13 and 24 have been amended to correct certain typographical errors.

Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The remarks from the July 3, 2007 Reply are herein incorporated by reference.

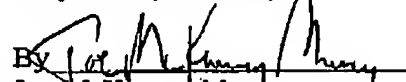
Favorable reconsideration and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

In the event that any outstanding matters remain in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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